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More Monthly Newsletter

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UPCOMING events

Bring-Your-Own Bookclub: 11/30/2022

It's a virtual potluck of ideas as we feature stories for children and teens centered on food; bring any great cookbooks or literary recipes to share.

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Impact Grant Q and A: 12/6/2022

Join us for a virtual drop-in session to answer questions about how public library systems in South Carolina can apply for an FFY22 or FFY23 Impact Grant. .

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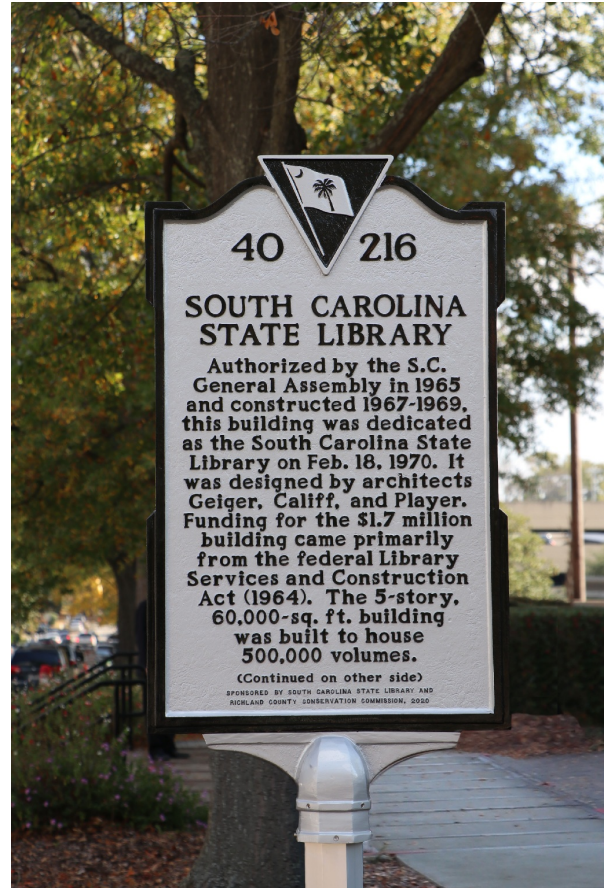
Read-In 2023: 4/20/2023

South Carolina's premier reading event returns; mark your calendar and plan to join our parade to the South Carolina State House, where we will celebrate reading.

A Piece of History

The South Carolina State Library building at 1500 Senate Street in Columbia is now part of the **Department of Archives and History's Historical Marker Program**. Approximately 1,900 places in the Palmetto State have this designation and are considered essential to understanding South Carolina's past. Their significance may be as the sites of significant events or as historic properties such as buildings, locations, and structures. Some designees are chosen as examples of a type of design or for their association with institutions or individuals significant in local, state, or national history.

State Library Director Leesa Aiken unveiled the marker to a crowd of Richland County leaders, past and present State Library staff, and the community on November 3, 2022. Aiken said this library represents the history of library growth throughout our state as the number of libraries, librarians, and collections of materials continue to grow.



Branching Out: The RA Family Tree

We are excited to partner with SCLA and offer this repeat of a popular conference presentation. Reader's advisory is a core service in public libraries that takes years to master. The influx of new staff makes even more people feel overwhelmed, confused, and nervous about providing this essential service to patrons. [Join us on](#)



Let's Get Social!

Their clever memes and eye-catching posts are the talk of social govs and South Carolinians alike. Now learn where the South Carolina Emergency Management Division Communications staff gets their inspiration to keep South Carolinians safe while also keeping them engaged. Derrec Becker, Chief of Public Information and External Affairs at the South Carolina

December 7 at 2:00 p.m. as Spartanburg County's Director of Adult Services, Jess Herzog, explains a new way to help staff facilitate the reader's advisory conversation easily and confidently.

Emergency Management Division, describes how to utilize social media to grasp the public's attention so you can deliver vital information. **[Register to join us](#)** at 10:00 a.m. on December 2 at the State Emergency Operations Center.

It's That Time of Year



Fall means cooler weather, changing leaves, and remembering to submit nominations for the **[Notable State Documents Award](#)** before the end of the year. The program recognizes outstanding state publications produced during the calendar year. Categories include physical or digital monographs (individual publications), serials, and websites. We will review nominations and select the final candidates for judging. Please visit our **[Notable State Documents Awards program site](#)** for guidelines and to see past winners. To submit nominations, please **[complete the nomination form](#)**. We also accept nominations **[via email](#)**. **[Contact Sheila Dorsey](#)**, Government Documents Librarian, to schedule a delivery to the South Carolina State Library, 1500 Senate Street, Columbia, SC, 29201.

Another Hero Honored

It's been more than two years since our work with the **[Faces of Margraten](#)** project began. Our reference librarians continue to connect with family members of South Carolina soldiers buried in the Netherlands. With help from the 1950 Census, we located the family of Private First Class Gerald Hudson Ingram. Ingram fought in five campaigns; Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace, and Central Europe, earning a Purple Heart before his death on February 24, 1945. Through the Faces of Margraten project, Dutch citizens honor American soldiers who are buried in Margraten Cemetery by adopting and caring for their gravesites.





Join the Discus Team

We need two training coordinators to join the Discus team in our Columbia, South Carolina headquarters. These individuals will coordinate with other training/outreach staff to support the State Library's electronic resources program [Discus - South Carolina's Virtual Library](#). The position is responsible for conducting training and instruction on using Discus research databases and increasing awareness of the Discus program. [Apply by December 4, 2022.](#)



New eBooks Available

We added 50 new eBooks from Capstone to [Discus- South Carolina's Virtual Library](#); these books are for Pre-K through fourth grade and have auto-play and read-aloud features for young learners. The collection includes English and Spanish eBooks as well as non-fiction titles. All eBooks are available on an unlimited, concurrent use basis. Find them at the top of the [PebbleGo](#) and [PebbleGo Next](#) landing pages.

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